CLAIMS

- A security system for securing an electronic transmission of a nucleotide chain, comprising:

 a system for identifying coding and non-coding regions in the nucleotide chain;

 and
 a system for selectively encrypting only the coding regions identified in the nucleotide
- 2. The security system of claim 1, further comprising a system for transmitting encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions.
- 3. The security system of claim 1, wherein the system for transmitting encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions includes at least one XML document.
- 4. The security system of claim 1, wherein the system for transmitting encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions includes web services.
- 5. The security system of claim 1, wherein the system for selectively encrypting only the coding regions utilizes cipher block chain encrypting.

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- 6. The security system of claim 2, further comprising:
- a system for receiving the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions;
 - a system for decrypting the encrypted coding regions; and
- a system for regenerating the nucleotide chain from the decrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions.
- 7. The security system of claim 6, wherein the system for receiving the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions comprises a bioinformatics database for receiving nucleotide chain queries.

- 8. A method for securely transmitting a nucleotide chain, comprising: identifying coding and non-coding regions in the nucleotide chain; selectively encrypting only the coding regions identified in the nucleotide chain to generate encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions; and transmitting the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions.
- 9. The method of claim 8, comprising the further steps of:
 receiving the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions;
 decrypting the encrypted coding regions; and
 regenerating the nucleotide chain from the decrypted coding regions and unencrypted
 non-coding regions.
- 10. The method of claim 9, comprising the further step of querying a bioinformatics database with the received nucleotide chain.
- 11. The method of claim 8, wherein the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions are transmitted in at least one XML document.
- 12. The method of claim 8, wherein the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions are transmitted using web services.
- 13. The method of claim 8, wherein the step of selectively encrypting only the coding regions utilizes cipher block chain encrypting.

14. A program product stored on a recordable medium for encoding a nucleotide chain, comprising:

means for identifying coding and non-coding regions in the nucleotide chain; and

means for selectively encrypting only the coding regions identified in the nucleotide chain.

- 15. The program product of claim 14, wherein the encrypted coding regions and unencrypted non-coding regions are stored in at least one XML document.
- 16. The program product of claim 14, wherein the means for selectively encrypting only the coding regions utilizes cipher block chain encrypting.

17. A program product stored on a recordable medium for decoding an encoded nucleotide chain, comprising:

means for identifying coding and non-coding regions in the encoded nucleotide chain; means for selectively decrypting only the coding regions identified in the encoded nucleotide chain; and

means for reassembling the coding and non-coding regions to generate a decoded nucleotide chain.

- 18. The program product of claim 17, wherein the coding regions and non-coding regions are stored in at least one XML document.
- 19. The program product of claim 17, wherein the means for selectively decrypting only the coding regions utilizes cipher block chain decrypting.
- 20. The program product of claim 17, further comprising means for querying a bioinformatics database with the decoded nucleotide chain.